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Our patrons are desired to note that Mr. Li Hon CHY, also known as NG SHEUNG, who has heretofore represented this house for the Foreign Department, is no longer in our employ and has no authority to act on our behalf in any capacity whatsoever. Our new partner, Mr. FUNG YIU HING, also known as PO HING, will represent this house hereafter.

The general management and staff, except the above change, remain the same as before and all commands or enquiries will receive the same care and prompt attention as in the past.

Canton, February 1, 1918.

HONGKONG MAGISTRACY.
GAMBLING AT THE PEAK.

Thirteen men were charged with playing *Ngau Pai* in the servants' quarters of the house occupied by Captain James.

It was stated that the Police made a raid on Friday and found the men gambling.

Mr. J. R. Wood fined each defendant \$3.

HOUSE-BREAKING.

A Chinese was charged with breaking into a house at Eastern Street.

Complainant stated he heard a noise in the house and, on going to investigate the cause, saw defendant and another man running down the stairs with clothes in their possession. He followed them and managed to arrest defendant. The other man escaped.

Mr. J. R. Wood sentenced defendant to three months' hard labour.

A ROBBER CHARGED.

At the Hongkong Magistracy, on Saturday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, one of the robbers connected with the Gresson Street affray was charged with the murder of Inspector Mortimer O'Sullivan, Sergeant Clarke, and the Chinese Detective Kwong Sang. There was a second charge of murdering Chan Leung, at Yaumati, on December 23rd.

Mr. J. R. Wood remanded the case for a week.

DECISION ON INTERESTING
POINT OF LAW.

Some time ago several Chinese were charged with being found on the premises of the Dairy Farm Company. Mr. J. R. Wood then raised the question as to whether the Ordinance which makes it an offence for a stranger to be found in the servants' quarters of a house was applicable to the premises of a Company, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton who appeared for the prosecution, strongly contended that the Ordinance was applicable to persons who were found in Company premises. Mr. Wood, however, discharged the men, except one, who admitted that he was there without permission.

Mr. J. R. Wood, in giving judgment, said he now found that Limited Companies were entitled to use the Ordinance to keep strangers out of the quarters provided for their employees, and he fined defendant \$1.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS FOR INFANTRY BATTALION BY MAJOR H. A. MORGAN

Parade—"B" Company.
Reference Corps Order No. 10 dated 15th Feb. 1918. No. 7 Platoon will parade on the Polo Ground on Wednesday, 20th instant, at 5.30 p.m., instead of on the Cricket Ground on 22nd inst. Hongkong residents will parade at the Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to Causeway Bay. G. E. STEWART, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.D.C. Hongkong, 16th February, 1918.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS ISSUED BY MR. F. G. JENKIN, D.S.P. (RESERVE).

BAND AND ORCHESTRA.
The Orchestra will play at the Theatre Royal on Saturday evening, Feb. 23rd, on the occasion of the theatrical performance for the Mercantile Marine and Prisoners of War. Members will attend a practice at 21, Wyndham Street, at 6 p.m. on Monday, February 18th.

The Band Practice ordered for Tuesday, February 19th, is hereby cancelled.

By Order,
T. F. HUGHES,
A.S.P. (R.) and Adjutant.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1918.

GERMAN WOMAN'S TREACHERY.

A German woman, who has four brothers serving in the Prussian army, Louise Dominosky, was sent to prison for six months at Manchester recently, for attempting to persuade Corporal Anthony Bautenbach, a Russian serving in the Lancashire Fusiliers, to escape from the Army.

Bautenbach said he was speaking near a Polish club to a friend when the prisoner came along, and discovering that they were Russians, asked, "Why are you fighting for this country?" She further said: "If you like to escape, I can supply money and clothes. This country is no good. Germany will beat every country, and it will not be long before Germany comes here." Accused also said she was married in Germany, her people were Germans, she was married to a German, and her husband was a soldier in Germany. "Why cannot you run away?" she continued; "get a Russian coin and stamp a piece of paper with it; that will enable you to clear. The English are blind; they will pass anything." He reported the matter to the police, and in consequence went to the woman's house, and received an outfit of civilian clothes, and he was handing him the money the police arrested her. Witness added, amidst applause in court: "She tried to buy me, but I thought more of my uniform and my King and country." He strongly denied that he approached the prisoner with a view to escaping. He had been three years in the British Army, and he had no intention of deserting. Witness told the day before and offered to give him £10 if he would not say too much about the case. Prisoner said she was the wife of a Russian Pole, and denied the story for the prosecution.

THE VICTORIA REGATTA.
A SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL.INTERESTING SPORTING EVENT IN
AID OF WAR CHARITIES.

After a lapse of four years, the Victoria Recreation Club held a regatta, on Saturday, which proved highly successful. The Club house was gaily beflagged for the occasion, and a large gathering of visitors were present, including H.E. the Governor and Miss Iris May, Major-General Ventris, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., and Lieut.-Colonel J. Ward, M.P. The proceedings were enlivened by pleasing selections of music; discoursed by the band of the 18th Infantry, and tea was dispensed, the reception committee being very assiduous in their attentions to the guests. Taken altogether, the afternoon was very interesting and reflected great credit on the Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. C. Wittell) and the Committee, who were responsible for the arrangements.

The course was off Wanchai, from the yacht anchorage to the Victoria Recreation Club, and was kept clear of sampans, junks, and other non-competing sea-craft, though at times one or two sampans did crawl into line. A temporary judge's box had been erected on a portion of the Club verandah. The weather was bright, and there was a good breeze for the sailing events. The water, however, was rather choppy for rowing, with the result that no records were broken. The competitions were keenly contested, and there were one or two very close finishes.

ROWING RESULTS.

TWO SCULS.

Half-Mile.—There were seven entries for the tub sculls and the race had to be rowed in two heats, which were won by A. L. Silva and O. Geiger (Canton) with S. Marcel and M. A. Carvalho, respectively, taking second place.

In the final the four started off with the tide very much in their favour. Geiger took the lead after the first few hundred yards, and maintained it to the finish, followed by Silva and Carvalho. Marcel was disqualified for rowing out of the course. The trio passed the judge's stand in the following order:—1, C. Geiger; 2, A. L. Silva; 3, M. A. Carvalho. Won by four lengths, three dividing second and third. Time: 6min. 6 2-5secs.

Geiger's time in his heat was 5min. 16 2-5secs.

INTER-CLUB PAIRS.

One mile, open to crews representative of any Amateur Rowing Club.
The crews that entered were:—
R.H.K.Y.C. (1).—Bow, L. E. Lowick; stroke, W. E. Douglas; cox, H. Bullock.
R.H.K.Y.C. (2).—Bow, G. H. Dumbarton; stroke, A. E. Hall; cox, H. W. Peiley.

V.R.C.—Bow, Lieut. Lovely; stroke, Lance-Cpl. Filby; cox, H. Rapp.

The V.R.C. took the lead and kept it for some distance, when they were overtaken by the R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 2 crew). Near the Dockyard crane a keen struggle ensued between the leading crew and the V.R.C. The Yacht Club (No. 2 crew), however, passed the judge's stand about eight lengths ahead. Five lengths separated the second and third.

Result: 1, R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 2 crew); 2, V.R.C.; (3), R.H.K.Y.C. (1st crew). Time: 4min. 16 2-5secs.

POLICE RACE.

Three-quarters of a mile.—Four Stations entered for this competition. No. 1 Station got away first, and increased their lead steadily. No. 2 Station followed three lengths behind, while No. 3 and 4 were some distance further behind. Half-way across No. 2 drew level, but No. 1, putting on a spurt, forged ahead again and eventually won by twelve lengths. Two lengths separated second and third. Result:—1, No. 1 (Lance-Sergt. Brown's crew); 2, No. 2 (Lance-Sergt. Hoake's crew); 3, No. 4 (Lance-Sergt. Joy's crew). Time: 8min. 35 4-5secs.

INTER-CLUB FOURS.

One Mile.—Open to all Amateur Rowing Clubs in China.
The Clubs competing were:—
R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 1).—Bow, A. Morse; No. 2, H. B. Northey; No. 3, V. Findlay Smith; stroke, J. A. Ridgway; cox, W. H. Peiley.

V.R.C.—Bow, J. Braga; No. 2, B. J. de H. Moore; No. 3, J. London; stroke, A. H. Carroll; cox, W. J. Carroll.

R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 2).—Bow, H. C. Lowick; No. 2, W. E. Douglas; No. 3, G. F. Dumbarton; stroke, A. E. Hall; cox, H. E. Bullock.

The V.R.C. got away to a fine start, closely followed by (R.H.K.Y.C. No. 1 crew), who were rowing forty strokes to the minute. The other remained unchanged for nearly half the course,

when the V.R.C. boat, unfortunately getting across the hawser of a ship, fell behind. The R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 1 crew) gradually drew ahead of its rivals. By a splendid effort near the Dockyard crane the V.R.C. crew drew level, and a terrific struggle ensued which appeared likely to result in a dead heat. Just before the winning post was reached, however, the No. 1 crew of the R.H.K.Y.C. made a supreme effort and won by about three-quarters of a length. It was one of the finest matches of the afternoon. The third boat was left a considerable distance behind. Result:—1, R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 1 crew); 2, V.R.C.; 3, R.H.K.Y.C. (No. 2 crew). Time: 8min. 1 2-5secs.

NAVAL WHALENS.

One Mile.—Service boats and conditions, crews from any ship on the China Station.

Seven teams competed, including six from Naval ships in port and one from Kowloon. Kowloon led from the start and won comfortably by three lengths from H.M.S. —, which was followed a boat's length away by the crew of the *Tamar*. Time: 11min. 49 3-5secs.

Three-quarters of a mile.—Open to any branch of H.M.S.'s Services.
The crews that entered were:—
R.G.A.—Bow, Corpl. Habermal; No. 2, Bar. Livesley; No. 3, Corpl. Knight; stroke, Lieut. A. E. Hall; cox, Lieut. R. M. S. Thomas.

Middlesex.—Bow, Lieut. H. C. Lovely; No. 2, Lance-Corpl. Filbery; No. 3, Lance-Corpl. McAllister; stroke, Sergt. London; cox, R. C. Wittell.

Navy.—Bow, W. Abel; No. 2, Sergt. H. Howe; No. 3, Corpl. T. Tracey; stroke, 3rd Writer A. Staley; cox, W. Loach.

Hongkong Defence Corps.—Bow, A. Morse; No. 2, H. B. Northey; No. 3, V. Findlay Smith; stroke, J. A. Ridgway; cox, W. H. Peiley.

Everyone seemed to know beforehand what the ultimate result would be. The R.G.A., who did not wish to take any chances, had been training assiduously for some time, and their success created no surprise. The boats got off well together, but the gunners quickly took the lead. H.K.D.C. gave up the race when half-way through, while the Navy had the misfortune to damage their rudder while passing the *Tamar* and were out of the running, though they finished the course. The result, therefore, rested between the R.G.A. and Middlesex, and the former won by nearly twenty lengths in 5min. 4 2-5secs.

DINGHY RACE.

Half-mile.—Open to yacht hands.
Seven competitors entered for this event, which provided much amusement to the spectators. No. 2 and 1 boats led at the start, but later on the other boats drew level. There was seen a "heaving" movement on the part of the other boats. All seemed to take a zigzag course, thereby preventing boat No. 1 from getting a clear course. The final result was—1, No. 2; 2, No. 1. But, as one of the umpires remarked, "No. 1 should have been first, but fouling was carried on all the way." The time was 8min. 20 1-5secs.

CHINESE SAMPAHS.

Three-quarters of a mile.—The Chinese sampan race attracted ten competitors. This, too, afforded amusement. All the competing sampans were gaily decorated, and an even race ensued. No. 2 sampan passed the winning post first, No. 5 being a length behind. The verdict was hailed with acclamation by the onlooking Chinese boatmen.

CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE CUP.

Three-quarters of a mile.—Open to members of the V.R.C.
The crews entering were:—
"Thistle".—Bow, Lieut. Lovely; No. 2, S. Kolapore; No. 3, J. McAllister; stroke, A. Filby; cox, R. C. Wittell.

"Rose".—Bow, V. S. Monteiro; No. 2, J. M. R. Pereira; No. 3, J. M. Braga; stroke, A. H. Carroll; cox, W. J. Carroll.

"Leek".—Bow, W. B. Maakett; No. 2, H. J. Silva; No. 3, J. London; stroke, B. J. de H. Moore; cox, H. Rapp.

The "Rose" got ahead, followed by "Leek" and "Thistle." Soon the "Thistle's" crew seemed lagged out. A ding-dong struggle ensued between the "Leek" and the "Rose," the former winning by about two lengths in 6min. 50secs.

The race for the Chinese Cup, three-quarters of a mile, open to non-prize-winners at the Regatta, will be run during this week.

YACHTING RESULTS.

The course for all events was North Fairway Buoy (S), Trocaire Rock (S). Distance—4 1/2 miles. Starting and finishing line between the yachts "Niobe" and "Vera," which were moored, respectively, at the inner and outer Naval buoy,

opposite the V.R.C. The wind was fair and fine sailing resulted:—
HANDICAP CLASS.

The following competed:—"Dione," scratch; "Rolla," 5secs. per mile; "Jessica," 10secs. per mile; "Diana," 45secs. per mile; "Collect," 45secs. per mile; "Aileen," 60secs. per mile.
"Rolla" (Mr. F. Potts) came in first, and "Dione" (Miss Iris May) second.

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

The following competed:—"Daphne," "Bonita," "Ailsa," and "Halcyon."
"Bonita," sailed by Captain Aitken, came in first; and "Halcyon" (R. J. Dixon) second.

HEAVYWEIGHTS AND GAIL CLASS.

The following competed:—"Lady Ursula," "Dawn," "Lysbeth" (all scratch); "Dorothy," "Toinette," "Gael," "Ashore" (all 6secs. per mile); "Toinette" (sailed by W. Heijloom) came in first; and "Dawn" (Mr. J. Sleigh) second.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF AWARDS.

Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, before asking Miss Iris May to distribute the prizes, said the history of the Victoria Regatta synchronised with the history of the Colony. The first meeting was held in 1849 and was continued at different intervals till 1912. The present regatta being the 49th held. The war had stopped many things, including the Victoria Regatta, but it was felt that such a healthy and beneficial exercise as rowing should not be neglected. As the V.R.C. and the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club had a number of excellent boats it was decided to revive the Regatta and to devote the proceeds, after paying expenses, to war funds. This idea of holding a regatta germinated after the rowing race which took place at the opening day of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. Great enthusiasm was aroused, and Messrs. Findlay Smith, representing the R.H.K.Y.C., and R. C. Wittell, of the V.R.C., deserved great credit, for they were mainly responsible for the fact that that successful regatta was held. (Cheers.)

The Committee desired to return thanks to the following gentlemen for giving prizes:—Sir Paul Chater, for the fine new challenge cup for the inter-club fours; Sir Robert Ho Tung, for presenting prizes for the winning crews; Mr. Robert Shewan, for cups for the winning crew of the inter-service fours; the members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange for several prizes for the winning crew of the Chairman's Challenge Cup (presented many years ago by an old member of the V.R.C.—Sir James Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G.); the Chinese Club; Dr. Carvalho; the Club Lusitano for prizes for the inter-club fours; Commodore Sandeman for providing such excellent accommodation for the visitors; those who were responsible for the decorations; Mr. McL. Messer, starter; Mr. A. H. Carroll, who organized the crews, and Mr. Ah King, who enthusiastically organized the Dinghy race; and Mr. Findlay Smith, the treasurer, who had done extremely good work. Last, but certainly not least, he wished to express the thanks of the Committee to Mr. Wittell, who had worked with untiring energy to make the regatta the success it was, and to Mr. D. K. Blair, who was in charge of the yachting results. He also thanked Miss Iris May for kindly coming there to distribute the prizes.

Miss Iris May then distributed the awards, and, at the close, was presented with a pretty bouquet of flowers.

Cheers were given for Miss May, the donors of prizes, Mr. Severn, and Mr. Wittell.

The officers of the day were as follows:—H.E., Major-General Francis Ventris; Commodore Sandeman, R.N.; Sir Robert Ho Tung; and Sir C. P. Chater, O.M.G.

Rowing Committee.—Lieut. A. E. Hall, I.G.A., B. W. Carpenter, R. H. Northey, A. A. Alves, A. V. Barros, A. Loughlin, Lieut. Lovely (Middlesex), V. Findlay Smith (Rowing Capt. R.H.K.Y.C.), A. H. Carroll (Rowing Capt. V.R.C.), and Ah King.

Judges.—Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.; Thomas C. Stead, R.N.; Colonel Chapman, V.D.; E. W. Carpenter, A. E. Alves, A. G. Wood, and F. Smyth.

Starters.—Rowing.—Hon. Mr. McL. Messer, Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, R.C., and A. A. Alves. Sailing.—D. E. Blair, and A. H. Milroy.

Timekeepers.—Rowing.—F. Meek and C. H. Gale. Sailing.—W. Van Andel and A. Denison.

Clerk of Course.—Mr. McIver.
Reception Committee.—Messrs. W. Lokan, J. Henke, A. Silva Netto, A. McKirdy, T. A. Loughlin, F. D. Bain, R. E. Bellios, R. Ramsay, Handley Pegg, and N. J. Brower.

Hon. Treasurer.—V. Findlay Smith.
Hon. Secretary.—Robert C. Wittell.

SMOKING CONCERT.

A very enjoyable smoking concert was held at 8 p.m. in the billiard-room of the V.R.C. which was gaily decorated for the occasion. There was a large audience present, who spent two full hours of music, song, and mirth. Those who contributed to the programme were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Muriel, Captain Cooney, Lt. Sayer, Mr. J. Evans, Bombardiers Lively and Knight, Mr. V. Findlay Smith, Gunner McQuade and Mr. A. O. Cragg.

SPORT.
CRICKET.

HONGKONG v. MIDDLESEX.

This match was played on the Club Ground and resulted in a very comfortable victory for the home side, whose first wicket put on 140 runs. Pearce, in his innings of 93, hit 17 fours, five of which were consecutive, and Gray, in his innings of 84, hit two sixes and 9 fours. Butterworth, who came on to bowl late in the innings, was very successful, and the only other Club batsman to make a score against him was Maas, with 23 (not out). The Middlesex started badly, Cooper being caught with the score-sheet blank. Thereafter a stand was made, the second wicket taking the score to 23. The hopes thus raised, however, were doomed to disappointment, and the whole side was out for 60. Donnelly, with 4 wickets for 15 runs, had the best average. Scores:—

HONGKONG.

T. E. Pearce, c Dickinson, b Smith	93
Capt. Gray, b Butterworth	84
H. E. Mariel, b Butterworth	6
E. R. Thomas, c Tebbutt, b Butterworth	10
Lt. Murray, b.w., b Smith	6
M. M. Maas, not out	23
F. Sutton, b.w., b Butterworth	0
Lt. Col. Morgan, b Butterworth	2
L. D. McNicoll, not out	11
Extras	1

Total (for 7 wickets) 216

Lt. McConnell and D. E. Donnelly did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Woodward	3	0	19	0
Purnell	8	1	27	0
Cooper	7	0	55	0
Fawthrop	2	0	34	0
Butterworth	7	0	42	5
Smith	7	0	38	2

MIDDLESEX.

Capt. Padfield, not out	3
Lieut. Cooper, c McConnell, b Donnelly	0
Pte. Grove, c Murray, b Morgan	10
Capt. Smith, b Morgan	11
Pte. Butterworth, b Donnelly	12
L/C. Tebbutt, b Morgan	2
Lt. Dickinson, b Donnelly	0
Corp. Fawthrop, b Morgan	0
Pte. Smith, c McNicoll, b Donnelly	0
Pte. Purnell, c Maas, b Morgan	0
Pte. Woodward, not out	4
Extras	5

Total 60

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Donnelly	9	1	15	4
Morgan	9	2	40	5

CIVIL SERVICE v. UNIVERSITY.

The Civil Service won the toss and put in their opponents, who opened with Rumjahn and Redmond. The first wicket put on 30, and then Redmond was joined by Marley, who scored 20 runs off the first over he received from Hamilton. His total of 75 included 13 fours and was a vigorous display of clean hitting all round the wicket. Brayshaw also hit out well. The innings was declared for 179 at 4 o'clock, which left the Civil Service ample time to get the runs. The home side's fielding was weak and if catches had been held it would have made a big difference. Dixon started well for the Civil Service, making 33 out of 36 for the first wicket in 15 minutes, but thereafter scoring was slow, though when the second wicket fell at 22 there was a possibility that the home side might obtain the points by hitting out. The next two wickets, however, fell so rapidly that a draw was the inevitable result. Brayshaw bowled well, and the University fielding was very good. Scores:—

UNIVERSITY.

A. H. Rumjahn, b Brayshaw, b Bird	15
F. A. Redmond, b Hamilton	18
G. E. Marley, c Ling, b Fletcher	75
E. Brayshaw, b Bird	25
R. A. Reynolds, c Hamilton	15
G. Hall, c and b Hamilton	6
J. D. Wright, not out	7
Lim King Sin, not out	0
Extras	10

Total (for 6 wkts. declared) 179

D. K. Samy, W. Gittens and Chea Teon Lok did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hamilton	11	3	57	3
Bird	11	0	67	2
Dixon	3	0	16	0
Fletcher	4	0	29	1

CIVIL SERVICE.

W. H. Dixon, b Brayshaw	33
D. M. Goodall, b Wright, b Brayshaw	29
E. W. Brayshaw, c Hall, b Marley	34
C. M. W. Reynolds, b Brayshaw	0
O. O. Woodman, b Brayshaw	1
R. E. O. Bird, not out	7
P. T. Lambie, b Brayshaw	10
E. W. Hamilton, c Brayshaw, b Marley	1
J. O. Fletcher, b Marley	0
F. J. Ling, not out	0
Extras	5

Total (for 8 wickets) 120

T. MacCormack did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brayshaw	22	5	47	5
Marley	15	3	23	2
Wright	3	0	22	0
Redmond	5	1	8	0

KOWLOON v. C.C.C.

Kowloon completely eclipsed their opponents on Saturday. Hodge hit out well for his 82, which included 16 fours, and Stalker batted well for 44, the innings being declared at 200. The Chinese made no sort of shape against Cobb and Stalker, Cobb, in particular, appearing to be almost unplayable. Out of 9 overs sent down, 5 were maidens, and he finished with the splendid average of 4 wickets for 6 runs. Stalker dismissed the last two batsmen with successive balls, and the whole side could only total 32 runs. "Mr. Extras" alone reaching double figures. Ng Sze Kwong was given "run-out" as the result of a rather unfortunate incident, but even if he had been in his best form he could not have hoped to save his side. Scores:—

KOWLOON.

F. E. Josland, c G. Lee, b Yew	10
Man Tsun	44
J. Stalker, c Ching, b Yew	44
Tsun	0
C. I. Stapleton, b Yew	0
L. E. S. Hodge, c Ng Sze Kwong, b Un Hew Fan	82
K. R. Macaskill, b Yew	12
J. P. Robinson, c Ng Sze Kwong, b Yew	8
R. Pestonji, c Wei Lee San, b Un Hew Fan	6
W. T. Elson, b Ng Sze Kwong	2
J. H. Mead, not out	13
P. H. Cobb, not out	15
Extras	15

Total (for 8 wickets) 290

H. Overy did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Un Hew Fan	12	1	58	2
Yew Man Tsun	17	4	74	8
Ho Wing Kin	5	0	38	0
Ng Sze Kwong	3	0	17	1

C.C.C.

Choa Man Ping, b.w., b Cobb	1
Wei Lee San, b Cobb	0
Ng Sze Kwong, run out	4
Un Hew Fan, b Stalker	2
G. Lee, not out	6
H. Ching, b Stalker	0
Ho Wing Kin, b Cobb	1
J. Wong, c Robinson, b Cobb	5
Yew Man Tsun, b Stalker	1
B. Chan, b Stalker	0
R. Lee, c Hodge, b Stalker	0
Extras	12

Total 32

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cobb	9	0	6	4
Stalker	9	4	14	5

NAVY v. R.G.A.

This match was played on the Navy ground at Happy Valley and resulted in a win for the home eleven just on time. Scoring was slow at the start, and Drummond, who was seventh man out, batted patiently for his 28, and 8 wickets were down for 55. For the next wicket Gr. Smith and Lt. Wilkinson put on 28. The gunners were all out for 125. The sailors started badly, the first wicket falling at 6, the fourth at 33, and the fifth at 37. Commander Gibson and Major Mayhew, however, played well together, and won the match in the last over. Gibson's innings of 60 (not out) was the result of first-class cricket against good bowling, and included lusty hits all round the wicket. Major Mayhew hit out boldly when runs were badly needed and was unlucky to be caught just after making the winning hit. Scores:—

R.G.A.

Bdr. Drummond, st. Moriarty, b Hack	28
Gr. Cooper, b Black	23
Bdr. Athorne, run out	0
Bdr. Dix, c Mayhew, b Godfrey	13
Gr. Perkins, b Black	1
Gr. Baines, c Mayhew, b Gibson	7
Bdr. Maun, b Godfrey	7
Gr. Smith, c Robinson, b Gibson	20
Lt. Baker, b Gibson	13
Lt. Wilkinson, not out	13
C.Q.M.S. Rose, b.w., b Black	0
Extras	6

Total 125

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gibson	17	1	46	3
Black	13	2	31	2
Godfrey	8	1	30	2
Hack	4	0	12	1

NAVY.

Com. Gibson, not out	60
F. W. Carey, run out	3
Sig. Hack, b Athorne	9
Paymr. Wright, b Baines	4
A. P. Robinson, b Athorne	2
P. T. Wild, b Athorne	4
Major Mayhew, c Baines, b Baker	44
Extras	4

Total (for 6 wickets) 130

F. W. Black, L. S. Godfrey, Pte. Moriarty, and P. O. Barclay did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Baines	14	1	49	1
Athorne	10	0	68	3
Cooper	3	0	15	0
Baker	1	0	2	1

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

As a result of Saturday's games, the Club are in a very strong position at the head of the table and are strong favourites for the shield. The Civil Service, by reason of their draw, have dropped out of the running, and only in the event of their defeating the Club are they to be considered as possible winners. The University can only hope to come out at the top if anything goes wrong with the Club. The Navy, who have only played 12 matches, will yet be seen much higher up the table, but cannot hope to challenge any of the leaders. Kowloon are living in hope that the leaders may destroy each other's chances to their advantage; but they are unlikely to beat the University next week, and, in that case, are out of the running.

P. W. L. D. Pts.

Hongkong	13	9	2	2	22
Kowloon	15	8	3	4	28
University	13	8	2	3	27
Civil Service	13	6	1	6	24
Craigengower	14	6	6	2	20
R.E.	16	5	8	3	19
Navy	12	5	0	1	18
R.G.A.	15	2	0	4	10
Middlesex	14	3	11	0	9

C.C.C. v. ISMAIL'S XI.

This friendly match ended in a win for C.C.C. by one run. Scores:—

Ford, c Aroulli, b Omar	15
Pitt, c Rumjahn, b Omar	13
Thompson, b Omar	14
Vincent, b Omar	5
Manley, b Abbas	13
W. E. Rose, b Ismail, A.	6
R. Baas, c D. Ismail, b Abbas	50
L. A. Rose, c Rumjahn, b Abbas	12
Moosedeem, b Omar	0
S. E. Ismail, std. Moosedeem, b Abbas	11
Jingajee, not out	0
Extras	7

Total 146

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
M. H. Abbas	13	2	55	4
N. Omar	14	3	61	5
A. Ismail	5	0	30	1

ISMAIL'S XI.

A. el Aroulli, run out	20
M. H. Abbas, b Ford	18
E. A. Moosedeem, b Ford	0
A. Ismail, c Thompson, b Ford	10
W. M. Omar, b.w., b Ford	23
S. Ismail, c L. A. Rose, b Vincent	4
A. A. Rumjahn, c sub. B. Baas	23
D. Ismail, c Thompson, b Vincent	0
S. H. Ismail, not out	26
A. Hamed, b Manley	1
R. M. Omar, c Pitt, b Manley	0
Extras	6

Total 145

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ford	14	1	54	4
Rose	9	0	31	1
Thompson	2	0	12	0
Manley	2	0	6	1

GOLF.

CIVIL SERVICE v. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

A very interesting match was played, yesterday, over the Fanling course between teams of 12 a-side representing the Civil Service and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Singles were played in the morning and honours were even at tiffin, each side having won five games, while two finished all square. In the afternoon foursomes were played. All the games were very close and excitement ran high. The result again was a tie, each side winning two matches, while two finished all square.

MORNING—SINGLES.

CIVIL SERVICE.	H.K.S.B.
R. E. Lindsell	1 v. A. C. Leith
A. B. Purves	0 v. G. S. Sandford
H. H. Pegg	0 v. M. A. Murray
W. G. Woodman	0 v. R. P. Thurstfield
F. J. de Rome	1 v. W. Rose
E. J. Birbeck	1 v. G. B. Dunnet
R. M. Henderson	1 v. H. E. Mariel
H. F. Winklow	0 v. N. J. Stabb
J. C. Fletcher	1 v. D. G. Bruce
A. M. Thomson	1 v. G. E. Towns
C. H. Gale	1 v. T. M. Leitch
P.P.J. Wodehouse	0 v. F. H. Thomas

AFTERNOON—FOURSOMES.

Lindsell & Purves	1 v. Leith & Sandford
Pegg & Woodman	1 v. Murray & Thurstfield
F. J. de Rome & Birbeck	1 v. Dunnet & Rose
Henderson & Winklow	0 v. Mariel & Stabb
Fletcher & Thomson	0 v. Bruce & Towns
Gale & Wodehouse	1 v. Leitch & Thomas

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

There was no first division football at Happy Valley on Saturday, the match which ought to have taken place between the Navy and Middlesex being postponed.

HONGKONG LEAGUE—DIVISION II.

SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC, 1. STAFF AND DEPARTMENTS, 0.

This match was played on the Club ground before a large crowd of spectators. The Chinese team was the first to attack, but never became very dangerous. Then the Staff forced a corner by their outside left. The corner was badly taken, being kicked well behind, and from the resulting goal-kick the Chinese broke away. A mis-kick by Lawrence gave their left wing an opportunity which he was not slow to accept, and, getting down the wing at a good pace, he took the ball in and hit the near upright with a good shot. The ball rebounded into play and was eventually cleared. The Athletic then assumed the offensive for quite a long time, but without success. The Staff would have done better to have made more use of their right wing, who until well into the first half was never given a pass that he had any chance to make use of. Knight slipped back and cleared neatly on one occasion when the Army backs were beaten, and, although the Chinese were doing most of the pressing, Lawrence and Wain were playing together well, and the Athletic was seldom dangerous.

In the second half the civilians had several possible chances of scoring, but were very weak in front of goal, generally shooting yards above the bar. The soldiers' custodian was cool and safe, and dealt with a number of awkward shots. Ellarby and Kirby broke through for the soldiers at the other end, but the former, being a little too slow, was robbed before he could shoot. After this the Staff goal was in great danger for some time, and, during one of the scuffles around it, Lawrence got injured. He was able, however, to continue after a few moments. The only goal of the match came from a corner kick, which was beautifully placed, the ball being netted after a scuffle by the civilians. Referee, Mr. Townsend.

STAFF CO. R.G.A., 1; R.E. RESERVES, 1.

These teams met on the Navy ground and engaged in a very keen struggle. After a spell of mid-field play a mis-kick by Sharman let the sappers through, but they were unable to score. They continued to attack strongly for a time. Martin warded off a rush by Baker and was then being called upon to save again, which he did by punching out from a corner. Watson had hard times with a "header" which just missed, and, at the other end, Martin saved a nice shot from Gordon. A dangerous run by Millard ended in the ball striking the side of the net. Parton opened the scoring for the sappers, who led at the interval by one goal to nil.

On resuming, the Artillerymen took up the running and before very long Watson equalised from a pass by Lieut. Millington. Taylor had hard lines with a fine strong shot which hit the bar. A run down the field by Baker looked promising, but he finished badly, and, although both sides struggled hard for the second point, the game ended in a draw of one goal each. Referee, Mr. Wright.

KOWLOON, 4; 88th CO. R.G.A., 0.

This match, played on the Club ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, ended in an easy victory for Kowloon, who was the superior side in all departments of the game. Knight opened the scoring in the first half and was responsible for another point in the second half. Moosedeem also scored two goals in the second half.

DIVISION II.—TABLE TO DATE.

Club	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
88th Co.	12	3	1	3	31	9	19
S.C. Athletic	10	7	1	2	15	6	19
R.E. Res.	12	5	2	5	20	17	16
Kowloon	12	5	5	2	25	24	12
Staff & Depts.	11	5	4	2	14	14	12
8th Co.	11	5	5	1	15	20	11
St. Joseph's	10	5	5	0	21	13	10
8th Co.	13	1	11	1	10	39	3
Middlesex Res.	9	0	7	2	9	32	2

LAWN TENNIS.

UNIVERSITY "A" v. STONECUTTERS.

Last Sunday at the University Pavilion, University "A" team met Stonecutters in a friendly game of tennis, and was by a great advantage in meeting a team not accustomed to grass courts. Scores:—

Chua Sin Kab and Lim King Sim beat Ives and Hortop, 6-5; beat Watts and Krokham, 8-3; beat Martin and Edgeler, 10-1.

Tan Toon Lay and Chao Wing Chin beat Ives and Hortop, 6-3; beat Watts and Krokham, 7-4; beat Martin and Edgeler, 9-2.

W. Gittens and H. Hung beat Ives and Hortop, 7-4; beat Watts and Krokham, 6-5; beat Martin and Edgeler, 9-2.

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LOST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a CHEQUE DRAWN by the undersigned on the BANK of TAISEI, Hongkong (good for payment), and dated 2nd February, 1918, for \$1,500—Hongkong Currency, favouring M. TANAKA, has been MISLAIN or LOST. The public are warned not to negotiate the same.

TONG SENG & Co.
[1638]

MAGISTRACY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a MEETING of the LICENSING BOARD will be held in the Council Chamber on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1918, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of considering an application by FLORE KATE ESTHER BLAIR for a Hotel Keeper's Adjunct Licence for the Peak Hotel under the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911.

G. A. WOODCOCK
Secretary, Licensing Board.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1918. [1637]

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that SEALED TENDERS in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF CASTINGS" will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 25th day of February, 1918, for the supply and delivery of Iron and Brass Castings, Manufactured Ironwork, etc., to the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT for about nine months ending on December 31st, 1918. Each Tenderer must produce with his tender a receipt that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$500 (Dollars Five Hundred) as a pledge of the bona fides of his tender, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown should the Tenderer refuse or fail to carry out, to the satisfaction of the Government, the whole or any portion of his tender, or which may be accepted. The deposit will be returned to any Tenderer whose tender is not accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, and shall be at liberty to accept any tender in whole or in part for any one or more of the articles offered.

For form of tender and further particulars apply at this Office.

W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1918. [1638]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, No. 6, Connaught Road, on THURSDAY, the 28th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1917, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 20th February, 1918, until THURSDAY, the 28th February, 1918, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1918. [1639]

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Hotel, on FRIDAY, the 1st March, 1918, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, with the Report of the Directors and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd February to 1st March, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1918. [1640]

LOST or STOLEN.

ON February 1st, IRISH TERRIER BITCH ("BIMBY"), brown colour; Licence number 231. Anyone detaining same after this notice will be prosecuted.

G. KAPPE,
Alexander Buildings.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1918. [1639]

ORCHIDS, PLANTS, & SEEDS.
Nurseriesmen desirous of shipping the above-mentioned to this country are cordially invited to apply with particulars to:
SUYABURO WADA,
80, Tennōji-mura, Higashinari-ku, OSAKA-FU, JAPAN.
[1632]

NOTICE.

THE UNITED BRITISH INSURANCE CO., LTD.

(Incorporated in the United Kingdom.)

HAVING been appointed MARINE AGENTS to the above Company we are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS and issue Policies at Current Rates.

UNION-TRADING CO.,
Agents.
Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1918. [1672]

INTIMATIONS

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

CITY HALL,
TODAY (MONDAY),
FEBRUARY 18th, 1918,
at 5.45 P.M.

Business—
To pass the Accounts for 1917.
To elect Officers for the ensuing 12 Months.
To receive Report of Proceedings during 1917.

Chairman,
Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK.
All Members requested to attend.

J. BENTLEY,
Hon. Sec. tary.
[1614]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 19th February, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to 18th February, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1918. [1638]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JAMES MATHISON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 21st February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February, to THURSDAY, 21st February, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1918. [1638]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February, to SATURDAY, 23rd February, 1918 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1918. [1638]

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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INTIMATIONS

THEATRE ROYAL.

SATURDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 9.15 P.M.
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[1638]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE.

ON and after 16th February, 1918, the hours for the transaction of business by the HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK will be 10 A.M. to 12 Noon every week day except Saturday.

The Savings Bank will not be open for business on SATURDAYS on and after 16th February, 1918.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1918. [1600]

G. E. E.

NOTICE.

ANY EUROPEAN, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in person at the CENTRAL POLICE Station between the hours of 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. daily.

Applicants will be required to produce Passports or Identification papers.

All persons with certain exceptions who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to Register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1918.

Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.P.O. and at all Police Stations.

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[162]

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MARRIAGE.

BARNES—BARNES. At Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, on February 6th, by the Very Rev. Dean Walker, OLIVER JOHN, fourth son of the late Mr. James Philip Barnes, Ospringe Parsonage, Faversham, and Mrs. Barnes, "Clovelly," Ramsgate, to LYN HARRON, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hutton Beebe, Mascotte, Essex.

DEATHS.
CURRIMBOY.—On February 16th, GULAM HUSSAIN CURRIMBOY, third son of Sir Currimboy Ebrahim, Bart.—By cable from Bombay. [1641]

MURRAY.—At No. 28, Kuangping Road, Shanghai, on February 15th, THOMAS MURRAY (Greenock), the beloved husband of Agnes Leitch, aged 51 years.

REMEDIOS.—At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on February 8th, MARIA LUIZA VIEIRA REMEDIOS, aged 28 years, dearly beloved wife of Mr. F. M. B. Remedios.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VŒUX ROAD, C. LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, 18th FEBRUARY, 1918

WAR SAVINGS AND THE CONSCRIPTION OF WEALTH.

Some remarkable figures about national saving reached us by cable a day or two ago but have probably been almost unnoticed by many of our readers. Yet surely it is amazing that applications for War Bonds to the value of \$252,000,000 had been received by the Bank of England up to February 9th, and to the value of £16,700,000 by the Post Office.

A few weeks ago Mr. Arnold Bennett, who has lived abroad a great deal and prides himself upon his cosmopolitan and liberal views, wrote in one of the "thoughtful" monthlies a sentence which would either have offended or amused his fellow-countrymen, if he had not qualified it in the next few words. He said: "The war has seriously convinced me that the Anglo-Saxon race, in the range and powers of its good qualities, is the most wonderful race on earth." If the word "German" were substituted for "Anglo-Saxon" we should recognize the Bennett touch, but the famous German publicist would have continued in the same vein, where there are sound reasons why all who

enjoy the privilege of residence in this Colony or anywhere else under the British flag should help in the direction indicated. By denying themselves luxuries now they can assist to win the war, and when peace is restored and demobilisation begins they will be in a better position to spend and thus stimulate trade and production. Meanwhile they can obtain the best possible security for their surplus money and a good rate of interest, with the assurance—recently given by Mr. BONAR LAW—that whatever be the financial policy of the British Government after the war any discrimination there may be will not be in favour of those who have withheld their money from the State at the time when its needs were greatest. Above all else, they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are doing something for the Empire and the Great Cause.

The Hongkong Hotel Co.'s half-yearly meeting will be held on March 1st.

The annual meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., will take place on the 28th inst.

A telegram was received in the Colony yesterday stating that the Bishop of Meaco, Dom. Joao Paulino d'Almeida e Castro, died at 11 a.m.

The name of Lam Shing-kup, Shaikwan Chinese Public Dispensary, has been added to the list of medical practitioners trained in Western medical science, who are authorised to grant death certificates.

"The Labour Movement. Past and Present," is the title of the address to be delivered by Lt.-Col. John Ward, M.P., in the City Hall to-morrow at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the Cathedral Branch of the Church of England Men's Society.

A meeting of the Licensing Board will be held on the 22nd instant for the purpose of considering an application by Flora Kate Esther Blair for a hotel keeper's adjunct licence for the Peak Hotel under the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance.

H.E. the Governor has made the following appointments:—Inspector W. Davitt to be a Sanitary Inspector for Kowloon City, Police-Sergeant M. Earner to be a Sanitary Inspector for Aberdeen, and, Acting Lance-Sergeant G. Stout to be a Sanitary Inspector for Stanley.

H.E. the Governor has granted to Marian Obrembaki, Herbert Charles Recker, and Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, as agents for the Taikee Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., provisional protection for a period of nine months from 7th Feb., 1918, for an invention for the preparation or manufacture of a vegetable decolorizing carbon called "Albit," pending the grant of Letters Patent.

We learn from the Police Reserve Gazette that the fund for the benefit of the dependents of those killed in the Gresson Street affray totalled \$27,437.

The subscription list opened at the Hongkong by officers of the Police Reserve amounted to \$4,332.58, in addition to which a fund at the Police Reserve Headquarters, reached \$4,552.50, the Japanese community sent in \$854, and a sum of \$208 was received from the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club. The Chinese community contributed \$15,000.

CANTON NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG KONG SAN PO"]

THE TUCHUN.

We are informed that the statement that the Tuchun, Mok Wengson, will leave Canton, is untrue. Every leader in Canton is strongly opposed to the idea, and the Tuchun has had his military powers increased in order to prevent sudden attacks. We also learn that large bodies of Kwangsi troops have arrived at Canton to protect the Tuchun's position. Admiral Ching Pih-kwong, who was named as Mok's successor, has assured the Tuchun that he would not accept the office, and would strongly object to the Tuchun's departure.

THE ATTACK ON YUKING. Commander Chao Kwing-ming has reported that troops sent from Canton to attack Yuking have co-operated and opened fire on the Chui on front.

THE UNION COUNCIL. The Union Council of the South-West, which was formed about a month ago, has adjourned for some alterations in its constitution.

DR. SUN VISITS THE TUCHUN. Dr. Sun Yat-sen visited the Tuchun yesterday, and consulted him upon political questions for over two hours. It is said that this is the first time that Sun has visited the Tuchun's Yamen since he came to Canton.

YUKING KONG CHANGES HANDS. It is said that General Lung Chai-kwong's troops have again occupied Yuking-kong city, but the report is unconfirmed.

THE WAR.

BRITISH LABOUR TO DISCUSS WAR-AIMS WITH FRENCH SOCIALISTS.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' CONFERENCE.

ROYAL PALACES OFFERED AS PUBLIC OFFICES.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS ON VERSAILLES COUNCIL.

PRESS SUPPORT THE PRIME MINISTER.

Branco-Belgian Front.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, February 15th.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports hostile artillery-activity in the neighbourhoods of Epéhy and Bullecourt.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, February 14th.

A German official report by wireless states:—The British and French have continued their reconnaissances at many points, resulting in violent engagements northward of Lens and in Champagne.

The French gained a foothold in the salient south-eastward of Tahnre.

A MINOR ATTACK.

LATER.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters reports that the raid mentioned in earlier *communiqués* was really a minor attack, the object being to bite off and retain a salient in the enemy's line which is troublesome to the French salient situated in the area where a French assault in September, 1915, was brought to a standstill. The present attack was rendered more difficult because enemy guns were sown at every point of vantage commanding the rugged area, and the operation was carried out in wet weather, which converted the chalky soil beneath into a detested white slime. Picked infantry participated and overcame occasional resistance by grenade-throwing. The final objective was attained within an hour. French and American artillery co-operated with splendid precision.

EXTENSIVE FRENCH RAID.

PARIS, February 14th.

A *communiqué* states:—In Champagne, after a short artillery bombardment, we carried out an extensive raid south-west of Butt-de-Mesnil on a 1,200 metre front and penetrated the enemy positions as far as the third line, shattering the defences, and destroying a number of dug-outs and taking 100 prisoners.

Twenty-eight enemy aeroplanes were brought down between the 1st and the 10th of February, of which 14 were entirely destroyed and 14 severely damaged.

AMERICAN ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

LATER.

A *communiqué* states:—There has been lively artillery activity in the region east of Rheims.

American batteries rendered most effective aid in the important raid mentioned in a previous *communiqué*. We have organised the captured positions. The prisoners exceed 150.

Naval Activities.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ITALIAN SUBMARINE SINKS ENEMY STEAMER.

ROME, February 14th.

An Italian submarine on Tuesday afternoon torpedoed an armed enemy steamer near the island of Lussin.

The submarine was fiercely attacked by aeroplanes and destroyers, but returned safe.

General.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE ENEMY COALITION.

MR. BALFOUR ON DETACHING IT.

LONDON, February 14th.

In the course of the Holt debate, a Scottish Radical, Mr. Whyte, referring to a visit to Switzerland at Christmas in order to meet Count Albert Mensdorff-Povilly-Dietrichstein, the ex-Austrian Ambassador to London, mentioned certain terms and deprecated these essays in secret diplomacy, to which he attributed much of the Junker aggressiveness of Germany during the last few weeks. Mr. Whyte characterised as foolish the attempt to separate any one enemy from the rest.

Mr. Balfour began his speech by referring to Mr. Whyte's remarks and said:—"Mr. Whyte attempted to give, on what information I know not, an account of certain events of which the enemy doubtless know the true version, and which version is utterly at variance with everything that Mr. Whyte has said. He is entirely mistaken as to the whole character and scope of that, and though I do not mean, for obvious reasons, to deal with this matter, I can assure Mr. Whyte that he misunderstood the policy of the Government. He seemed to lay down as a principle that no effort should ever be made to detach a single enemy from the Coalition with which you are at war. I entirely refuse to subscribe to that doctrine. If it were possible to break up the Coalition, nobody would rejoice more than myself."

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' CONFERENCE.

LONDON, February 14th.

The Labourite, Mr. J. A. Thomas, speaking during the Holt debate, said the Labour Party was determined to hold an International Conference, and declared that any Government which again deliberately attempted to prevent an International workers' meeting would be acting fatally to its own interests.

Lord Robert Cecil, summing up the debate, and referring to the pacifist praise of the Bolshevik attitude, said: "It cannot be said, so far, that the policy of cringing to the Germans has proved successful."

Replying to criticisms of secret treaties, Lord Robert Cecil said the Government was bound to adhere to International obligations. As regards a League of Nations Count Hertling proposed to leave the consideration of that till after the war. That was not the proper attitude for the British Government. Lord Robert Cecil had personally given much attention to it and had even prepared a scheme of his own.

BRITISH LABOUR DEPUTATION TO PARIS.

TO DISCUSS WAR-AIMS WITH FRENCH SOCIALISTS.

LONDON, February 14th.

It is announced in the newspapers that a Labour deputation goes to Paris to-day to discuss the war-aims with French Socialists.

THE KING'S SOLICITUDE FOR THE WOUNDED.

BALMORAL CASTLE AND OTHER PALACES GIVEN UP.

LONDON, February 14th.

The *Daily News* says:—The King has offered Balmoral Castle as a resort for wounded soldiers and Buckingham Palace and Kensington Palace as public offices.

PRESS COMMENTS ON VERSAILLES DISCUSSION.

LONDON, February 15th.

The Press comments on yesterday's debate in the House of Commons appear to indicate that a combination of Liberals and a Unionist group, called the National Party, are against Mr. Lloyd George, who is supported by the more moderate elements.

The *Daily Mail* says:—The grave Versailles decisions are being recklessly exploited for Party purposes. It is intolerable at this crisis of the war, that Mr. Asquith should again attempt to thrust himself forward in the House of Commons. We are not likely to sacrifice Mr. Lloyd George in order to make Mr. Asquith the "defeatist" Prime Minister.

The *Times* says:—It is significant that Mr. Asquith failed to inform Mr. Lloyd George beforehand what were the questions he desired to submit. Mr. Lloyd George's refusal to satisfy his curiosity was based on an imperious and conclusive reason. Nothing could demonstrate the insincerity of any further curiosity more than the cheers of the little pacifist group, who formed a *claque* for Mr. Asquith.

The *Daily News* says:—The intolerable mystery enveloping the Command of the British Army remains.

The *Daily Express* says:—Mr. Asquith's speech was an incitement against the Government by factions of ultra-militarists and semi-pacifists. Mr. Lloyd George is fighting them with his hands tied, because loyalty to the Allies compels secrecy.

The *Daily Chronicle* says:—General Sir William Robertson remains as Chief of Staff with the full approval and confidence of the War Cabinet. General Wilson continues as the principal representative at Versailles.

It is understood that certain changes by Order in Council, recreating the Chief of General Staff, are impending, with a view to restoring the supremacy of the Secretary of State for War.

RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

EXCESSES BY RUSSIAN SOLDIERS.

STOCKHOLM, February 14th.

It is reported that Russian soldiers are committing shocking excesses in the Aland Islands.

The Swedish inhabitants have fled to the outlying islets, and a Swedish rescue expedition, with an ice-breaker, will be despatched.

TURKEY TO RETAKE THE CAUCASUS.

AMSTERDAM, February 14th.

The opinion is authoritatively expressed in Vienna that Turkey will naturally retake possession of the Turkish territory in the Caucasus.

THE POSITION OF LITHUANIA.

AMSTERDAM, February 14th.

The *Forwards* understands that the first subject to be discussed by Count Hertling, Baron Kuehlmann and the Kaiser at Headquarters will be the arrangements for immediately proclaiming the independence of Lithuania.

Vienna papers report that the Ukrainian-Reds has transferred its seat of Government to Zittomia and established direct communication with Austria.

POLAND AND GALICIA.

A Zurich message states that the Polish Cabinet has resigned owing to the Ukrainian Peace arrangement.

Viennese papers state that there is considerable ferment in Poland and Galicia, in consequence of Ukraine's incorporation of the Governments of Cholm, Kielce and Lublin.

AN AUSTRIAN WARNING.

AMSTERDAM, February 14th.

The Vienna *Freundenblatt*, referring to the possibility of a Bolshevik movement to frustrate peace between Ukraine and the Central Powers, warns Petrograd that the Central Powers could not permit this.

FREEDOM OF THE SEAS—GERMAN MEANING OF THE PHRASE.

LONDON, February 14th.

Asked in the House of Commons what Germany meant by the phrase "Freedom of the Seas," Lord Robert Cecil replied by quoting a speech delivered by Count Reventlow in Berlin in March, 1917, as follows:—

"We understand by 'Freedom of the Seas' that Germany should possess such maritime territory and naval bases that at the outbreak of war we should be able, with our Navy, reasonably to guarantee ourselves the command of the sea. We want such a jumping off place for the Navy as would give us a fair chance dominating the seas, and being free in their use during war. The inalienable possession of the Belgian seaboard is therefore a matter of life or death to us."

Lord Robert Cecil added that Count Reventlow represented the ruling clique in Germany.

POISON GAS IN WAR.

LONDON, February 14th.

In the House of Commons, Lord Robert Cecil stated that the Government proposed to consult the Allies regarding the action to be taken conjointly in view of the Red Cross Society's appeal for the discontinuance of poison gas.

Mr. Pemberton Billing:—Will the right hon. gentleman use his influence with the War Office to continue the use of poison gas as long as our enemies do so?

Lord Robert Cecil replied that the question was purely a military one.

AUSTRALIAN AFFAIRS.

MR. HUGHES AND THE COUNCIL OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

SYDNEY, February 14th.

At a meeting of the Council of the National Association a resolution, declaring that the interests of the Commonwealth and the National Party required the resignation by Mr. Hughes of the Premiership, and of the leadership of the National Party, was rejected by 80 votes to 6.

BARON FORREST OF BUNBURY.

MELBOURNE, February 14th.

The Rt. Hon. Sir John Forrest has adopted the title of Baron Forrest of Bunbury.

RETURNED SOLDIERS AND FORESTRY SCHEMES.

Mr. Millen says that returned soldiers will be absorbed under the forestry schemes in the various states, and more will be absorbed later.

BARON FORREST TO ACT AS PRIME MINISTER.

It is stated that the Hon. J. Hume Cook accompanies Mr. Hughes to the Imperial Conference, Baron Forrest, if well, acting as Prime Minister.

BUSH-FIRES IN VICTORIA.

The intense heat in Victoria has caused bush fires in the western district of Victoria. Considerable damage is reported.

TRIAL OF GREEK MUTINEERS.

ATHENS, February 14th.

A court-martial has decided that the recent mutiny at Lamia was engineered by agents of the ex-King Constantine. The Court sentenced three Lieutenants and two soldiers to death.

Three ex-Ministers and nine ex-Deputies, several officers and two journalists are to be deported.

THE SILVER MARKET.

ABSENCE OF BUSINESS.

LONDON, February 16th.

Silver is quoted at 42½d. There is an absence of business.

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NEW PORTUGUESE MINISTRY.

The new Portuguese Ministry has been constituted as follows:—

Major Sidonio Pais.....	President, War and Foreign Affairs.
Capt. Machado Santos.....	Home Affairs.
Sen. Alfredo Magalhães.....	Justice.
Sen. Aires de Castro.....	Labour.
Sen. Francisco Gomes.....	Marine.
Sen. Xavier Bragança.....	Commerce.
Sen. Sáiz de Viasa.....	Finance.
Sen. Tanagimil Barboza.....	Colonies.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

NO SERIOUS DAMAGE AT AMOY.

Information gleaned from the Captain of the *Hai Hong*, which arrived from Amoy yesterday, shows that the earthquake did very little damage to Amoy. The effect was very slight; a building or two were cracked and a few ceilings fell down; but beyond this the damage was not serious. The *Hai Hong* felt the shock when she was at Foochow on Wednesday.

The deaths in Swatow are now estimated at about 2,000, the original figure having been increased as the result of the excavations which have been in progress. Only one European appears to have been injured.

WRECK OFF FOOCHEW.

LOSS OF AN ENEMY SHIP INTENDED FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

We learn from an authoritative source that the *Yam Samudh* (late s.s. *Tranenfels*), 2,923 tons, one of the interned enemy ships which was to have been handed over to Great Britain by Siam, struck the Alligator Rock, twelve miles south of Foochow, on the 3rd inst., and is a total wreck.

The *Yam Samudh*, which was the biggest of the prize boats lying in Siamese waters, was bound from Japan to Bangkok via Hongkong with coal for the Siamese Navy, after which she was to have been transferred to Great Britain. At the time of the disaster she was flying the Siamese flag.

Ninety-seven of the crew have been on the rocks since the 3rd inst., and, owing to the high sea, no vessel could get near the rocks to render assistance.

A wireless message, received yesterday morning at Hongkong, stated that the crew and the Captain had been taken off to Foochow, with their hands and feet injured.

The Chinese Customs of Foochow superintended the rescue work. A Chinese cruiser and the Foochow Harbour Master's boat were near the rocks, ready to render help as soon as the weather moderated. The s.s. *Kuichow* and passing vessels from Shanghai gave the crew water. Evidently provisions were taken off the wrecked ship.

The vessel is still on the rocks, with the stern afloat and the bow broken. The rocks are about twenty feet high.

POSITION OF BAR ISLAND LIGHT ALTERED.

Notice is given that on or about the 20th of February Bar Island Light (situated on First Bar Island) will be moved to a position bearing S. 61deg. 45ft. E., distant 100 feet, from the position it at present occupies. The light-keepers' hut will be moved as soon as possible after that date. All vessels are requested to proceed at dead slow speed when passing the vicinity of the Light Station during the time the work of removal is in progress.

The characteristics of the light, colour of the hut, etc., will continue to be as heretofore.

VLADIVOSTOK HOTEL HELD UP.

ROBBERY OF RLS.2,000,000.

The *Harbin* correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* reports:—

Vladivostok telegrams state that on the night of the 3rd instant some fifteen armed robbers, among whom were soldiers with rifles, held up the Hotel Versailles, one of the principal hotels, and robbed the guests of about Rls. 2,000,000, including jewellery and fur coats. Passports and documents were appropriated.

Among the victims was the chief of the Usuri Railway police, Colonel Egoroff, and two or more foreigners, including an American, Mr. Williams.

The robbery had evidently been carefully planned, as the culprits succeeded in getting safely away with their booty.

Mr. A. P. Stokes asks us to notify those who have goods to advertise and desire to benefit the Mercantile Marine in England and the Naval Prisoners-of-War that advertisements for the programmes of the entertainment to take place at the Theatre Royal next Saturday will be very welcome. Those who wish to advertise will kindly send form of advertisement to Mr. A. P. Stokes, "Kingsclere," not later than Tuesday evening, accompanied by cheque for £5 or as much more as they may feel disposed to give.

COMMERCIAL STRATEGY. VALUE OF CO-OPERATION IN TRADES.

Sir A. Steel-Maitland, M.P. (Overseas Trade Department of Foreign Office and Board of Trade), was the guest of the British Empire Producers' Organisation at luncheon at the Connaught Rooms recently, when Sir Charles McLeod, vice-President of the organization, was in the chair.

Sir A. Steel-Maitland said that in Germany there were attempts to compel manufacturers in various industries to form associations for export trade after the war, but he did not think that in Great Britain such action on the part of the Government would be tolerated. On the other hand, it asked for a frank expression of opinion on the desirability of manufacturers and producers in groups of industries now split up combining from the point of view of foreign trade, he had absolutely no doubt whatever.

In saying this he had in mind a sort of difference of opinion between the two sections of an industry—the manufacturers and the merchants. It was sometimes thought that the Government was inclined to favour the manufacturer against the merchant. There was no truth in such a statement. The real fault with us was—and to a certain extent it obtained in the United States—that if two British firms were engaged in the same business they set to work to fight each other; but two German firms in like circumstances would seek to make an agreement.

An examination of the course of trade before the war forced the conclusion that German commercial strategy was as dangerous as her military strategy, and not always so intelligible. One essential feature was close co-operation between industry and finance. On the proposal put forward by the organization for the establishment of an Imperial Bank of Industry he would not venture to pronounce a judgment, for he had not been through it in detail. But whether that should be the precise scheme or not was a minor consideration; what was really important was that somehow there ought to be, from the point of view of export trade, closer association between industry and finance. He proposed to obtain the advice and co-operation of those whose business was with banking and functions and limitations of a Government Department which would help to the best of its ability.

It was for the Department to see that the commercial attaché service was constituted to effect its primary purpose, but in the new development it was for business men to co-operate. The Trade Commission Service had started from a comparatively small beginning; there were now 16 Commissions throughout the Empire, and the selections would be trusted, produce closer commercial relations between the Dominions and the mother country. We had potentialities of growth in the Dominions and the great Crown Colonies which it was the aim of the organization to promote, and the possibilities were immense. The commercial attachés, it was right, that their first endeavour should be the promotion of British trade. The work would be carried on with enthusiasm, and with the co-operation of business men their objects—the development of the Empire within itself and the promotion of trade with foreign countries—would be attained. (Cheers.)

200,000 IRISHMEN OF MILITARY AGE.

LORD LONDONDERRY'S APPEAL TO THE GOVERNMENT.

Lord Londonderry, speaking recently at a fancy fair held at Londonderry for war charities, said the members of the Irish Convention earnestly desired to remove from the path of the Government a problem that was hampering the successful prosecution of the war.

"I am convinced," he said, "that there is no reason whatever why all legitimate aspirations should not be satisfied, and I believe at the same time that it is possible to bring about the direct association of Irishmen with the control by Irishmen of Irish affairs, and I believe that this is not inconsistent with the maintenance of the existing equality of British citizenship as now enjoyed in England, Scotland, and Wales. I do not believe that in the satisfaction of legitimate aspirations there is any need for the abrogation of that citizenship which Ulster claims on an equality with England, Scotland, and Wales. But in claiming equality of privilege with England, Scotland, and Wales we are also prepared to take a full share in the effort and in the sacrifices of the Empire. At this moment it causes me the greatest apprehension that there is in process of making an indelible stain that it could ever be said that Ireland has not taken her full share in the war."

The British Government must use their power to bring Ireland into the war. It is a duty which the British Government owes to Ireland, because it is possible to realise that all nations in the world who have stood with the British Empire in the cause of right and humanity will point the finger of scorn at Ireland for generations to come, and say that while we went forward as entities and as communities, while we gave and sacrificed our best, Ireland hunk back prepared to enjoy all the privileges for which we fought."

"I should like to see those 200,000 men of military age who are in Ireland, and are not taking part in the war but are in fact idling and are a prey to the agitator or victims of German intrigue, a hindrance to the British Empire instead of an asset—I wish that what is best in Ireland, the loyal elements in Ireland, would come forward and urge upon the British Government to bring these men under those standards which are being upheld against the forces of barbarism as exemplified by the German Empire. (Cheers.)"

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